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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

THE SPEAKER'S ROOMS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 30, 2001.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAC THORNBERRY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Eternal God, always the refuge for the homeless, the refugee and immigrant, be with us as we pray today.

The sound of Abraham's call to leave his home and live by faith echoes through the halls of this Nation's history. Since the founding of these United States of America, people have come to this land as if out of the desert into a place of promise and hope. The experience of immigrants has built up this Nation as a response to Your invitation, Lord. "Go . . . I will show you a place."

We bless You and praise You for all those of this Nation who continue to

build upon the past, and by their prayers and their noble deeds still grace this Nation and its future.

Even in this time, sometimes called "the age of worldwide refugees," You still call people to faith and freedom.

Bless the Members of Congress and grant them wisdom as they secure homeland borders and enact lawful immigration. The world will be shown a land where Your promise will be realized, faith can be expressed, and all will be free.

We still answer Your call, Lord, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New York (Mr. McNULTY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. McNULTY led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain 1-minute requests at the end of the day.

WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2299, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2002

Mr. REYNOLDS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 299 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 299

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2299) making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York (Mr. REYNOLDS) is recognized for 1 hour.

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